

## Calais LNG

- Other comments received regarding Board Jurisdiction

Thomas Webster  
PO Box 120  
Calais, Maine 04619

February 8, 2010

Commissioner David Littell  
Maine DEP  
17 State House Station  
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Commissioner:

I am writing you today to urge an expedited review of the Calais LNG project. As someone who lives in Calais, I know that my mere words can hardly convey the economic distress this area is facing.

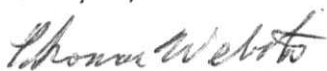
The Calais LNG project represents a potential investment of more than \$800 million into Washington County's economy and it will create spin-off jobs and support existing, local businesses that are struggling to survive in today's economy.

There have been a lot of meetings up here that I and my neighbors have attended. During those meetings, including one hosted by the DEP in March 2009, we learned about the numerous environmental studies that are being done, and I have faith that this project will be as good a fit for our region's environment as it will be for our economy.

I have no objection to the Board of Environmental Protection, but I don't believe that this project needs their review because of all the other agencies and organizations that are reviewing this particular project. I am also concerned about anything that could delay this much-needed project.

I sincerely hope the Maine DEP will review this project quickly, fairly and thoroughly.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Thomas Webster".

Thomas Webster

Wayne Chick  
172 Charlotte Road  
Charlotte, Maine 04666

February 8, 2010

Commissioner David Littell  
Maine DEP  
17 State House Station  
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Commissioner:

As a resident of Washington County, I want you to know that I am hoping the Calais LNG project can move forward as quickly as possible. Trust me when I say, this part of Maine is really hurting and desperately needs new jobs and tax revenue.

As a mental health professional, I work on a daily basis with youth in Washington County who are struggling with numerous issues. Dire economic situations such as the one we are now facing only aggravate the challenges that young people in Washington County face on a daily basis. When I graduated from high school in 1975, I made more money than I can earn today. That was when the Calais Motor Inn first opened.

For the last several years, I have watched as our economy and family structures have continually eroded. Our children cannot afford to live here and are forced to move away in order to support their own families. This needs to change sooner rather than later.

I trust the Maine Department of Environmental Protection can adequately and properly review this project without having to send it to the Board of Environmental Protection. This part of Maine cannot afford any delays. Please help us as we try to build a future for our families and our young people so that Washington County can rebuild itself on the hope of a better tomorrow because quality of life includes a quality job.

Sincerely,

*Wayne E. Chick*

Daniel Amber  
Calais Computer Plus  
334 North Street  
Calais, Maine 04619

February 8, 2010

Commissioner David Littell  
Maine DEP  
17 State House Station  
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Commissioner:

I want you to know that I support the Calais LNG project and would like to see it approved as quickly as possible. I live in Calais and am the co-owner of a business here, and I can assure you that we desperately need the jobs and economic opportunities this project will bring to our area.

Since first learning about this project almost two years ago, I have hung onto the hope that this project will become a reality. I hope we don't have to wait much longer, and I'm concerned that sending this project to the Board of Environmental Protection will just cause a further delay.

I believe the Maine Department of Environmental Protection has the resources necessary to do a careful and thorough review of this project, and I'm hoping we won't be forced to wait much longer for what I believe is a very exciting and important project.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D. Amber', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

*Ben Knowles  
Calais Computer Plus  
334 North Street  
Calais, Maine 04619*

*February 8, 2010*

*Commissioner David Littell  
Maine Department of Environmental Protection  
17 State House Station  
Augusta, Maine 04333*

*Dear Commissioner Littell*

*I am a resident of Calais, Maine and I want you to know that I support the Calais LNG project and would like to see it approved as quickly as possible. I am the co-owner of a business here, and it is very hard to make a living here. This project has a lot of people in this area very excited because we really need something to happen here that will promote our economy and business climate.*

*I hope this project will not have to be delayed by another review of the Board of Environmental Protection. A lot of agencies and organizations are reviewing the LNG project, and I don't think it makes sense for two environmental agencies in Maine to be reviewing the same project.*

*My business partner and I believe the Maine Department of Environmental Protection has the resources necessary to do a careful and thorough review of this project, and we're hoping we won't be forced to wait much longer for what we believe is a very exciting and important project for this area.*

*Sincerely yours,*



*Ben Knowles*

**Joyce Maker**  
89 Lafayette Street  
Calais, Maine 04619

February 9, 2010

David P. Littell, Commissioner  
Maine Department of Environmental Protection  
17 State House Station  
Augusta, Maine 04333-0017

Re: Calais LNG Project

Dear Commissioner Littell:

As a resident of Calais, I am writing you today to urge you to consider keeping the Calais LNG application for review by the Department of Environmental Protection rather than having the Board of Environmental Protection review it.

Over the past several months, my neighbors and I have been attending the informational meetings that have been held in this area, and we are strongly in favor of the well-thought-out terminal and pipeline proposal.

Given the economic conditions that exist in Washington County, any further delays of this much-needed project would be devastating for those of us who are hoping that this part of Maine can finally begin the work of rebuilding our local economy. Board review by the BEP could potentially further delay the application, which would be detrimental to the prospects of urgently needed new jobs here.

Beyond the unnecessary delay of creating hundreds of new jobs in this region, sending this proposal through the BEP process would send a message that Maine is a difficult place to do business.

As much as we need new jobs, those of us who live and work in Washington County also care deeply about our environment and ensuring its protection. We strongly encourage and support a comprehensive and careful review of the Calais LNG project. As demonstrated by other projects, such as the CMP Maine Power Reliability Project, it is clear that the department is well equipped to review large-scale projects.

Commissioner Littell, I urge you to do what is right for the environment, the residents/taxpayers, and job-seekers of Calais and the surrounding area and keep the

processing of the Calais LNG applications under the capable, watchful eyes of the Maine DEP.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Joyce Maker". The signature is fluid and elegant, with the first name "Joyce" and last name "Maker" clearly distinguishable.

Joyce Maker

February 9, 2010

David P. Littell, Commissioner  
Maine Department of Environmental Protection  
17 State House Station  
Augusta, Maine 04333-0017

Dear Commissioner Littell:

I have lived in Calais for more than 20 years and I own and operate the Townhouse Restaurant in downtown Calais. It's never been easy to make a living in this part of Maine but lately things have gone from bad to worse.

In just the last two years, my business volume has decreased dramatically. At one time, my biggest challenge was the traffic delays caused by the international border crossing near my business. Now, with the new bridge operating, I have experienced an even greater decrease in customers because all the contractors who frequented my establishment have packed up and moved away.

I can tell you that this area desperately needs new jobs and opportunities. I have always taken pride in this community, and I have been actively involved in several civic and charitable organizations. It's very hard for me to see the city of Calais continue a long and depressing slide into oblivion. Without new opportunities our city will soon be nothing more than a ghost-town.

I have been forced to lay off many of my employees. My mother, who is in her 90s, works here as a waitress. It's hard to put into words exactly how bad our local economy has become.

It is for these reasons that I am strongly supporting Calais LNG and their plans to build a natural gas terminal and pipeline in this area. I have been patiently waiting for this project to become a reality and have watched as countless agencies have reviewed and evaluated this project. I very much hope that this project can be built sooner rather than later, and that's why I hope the state of Maine won't force us to wait while another agency has to review it when the Maine DEP could go ahead and review the project without sending it to another government board.

We want the project to be built right, but we cannot afford to wait much longer for new job opportunities and the chance to jump-start our economy.



Please help Calais, Washington County and the whole state of Maine and let's get this project reviewed and approved quickly!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Phil Tinker', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Phil Tinker, owner  
Townhouse Restaurant  
Calais, Maine 04619  
(207) 454-8021

Lindsay M. Nighthower  
449 Main St  
Calais, ME 04619

February 10, 2010

David P. Littel, Commissioner  
Maine Department of Environmental Protection  
17 State House Station  
Augusta, ME 04333-0017

Subject: Calais LNG Project

Dear Commissioner Littel:

My name is Lindsay Nighthower a  
business owner of Nighthower Steakhouse  
and Seafood here in Calais, Maine.

I have been attending several  
LNG meetings from the beginning  
from the Down East LNG project and  
now the Calais LNG project. I have  
been in favor of the project since  
day one. I urge you to consider  
keeping the Calais LNG application  
for review by the DEP rather than  
causing more delay. I strongly

believe that if the application  
were sent to the Board of Environmental  
Protection for review it will add  
unnecessary Time delays.

I am struggling here in Calais  
along with other residents and  
businesses. Last Winter I Employed  
13 (thirteen) people and today I  
am down to 3 (three) people.

I am begging you to help  
speed this process up. We need  
to get your help to get it done.

We need jobs here, we need new  
people to help our area from  
becoming a ghost Town.

There is nothing left for  
us here in Calais. You are our  
only hope for a future.

Best regards,  
Linsay Lighttower

John Seiferd  
King Street  
St. Stephen, NB Canada  
E3L 2C2

February 11, 2010

David P. Littell, Commissioner  
Maine Department of Environmental Protection  
17 State House Station  
Augusta, Maine 04333-0017

Re: Calais LNG Project

Dear Commissioner Littell:

As an interested and concerned resident of the St. Stephen area, I write to urge you to consider keeping the Calais LNG application for review by the Department of Environmental Protection rather than having the Board of Environmental Protection review it. I am an owner operator of the Old Town Tavern in St. Stephen. My wife and I have owned and operated it for 15 years. We live in Saint John and commute 4 days a week. I see what the LNG in Saint John has done for the businesses and the tourism. I have had to go to work as a foreman for a construction company in Saint John. I work Monday through Thursday and then I work in our business in St. Stephen on Friday and Friday evening with my wife.

This has put an awful strain on my wife as she has to travel from Saint John to St. Stephen by herself all winter. My grown son who is from my first marriage moved here from Ontario because he loved the area so much. He is a Union welder and loves his work, but he has been recently laid off due to no work. As much as he hates to have to go back to the city that is something that might happen.

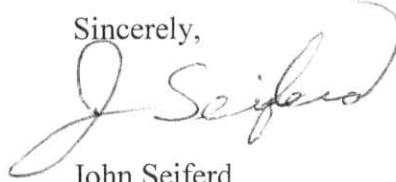
I have seriously thought about selling my business and have even put it on the market a time or two, but as you can imagine no one wants to buy a business that is not making a profit. We had construction here a year ago when they were building the third bridge between St. Stephen and Calais Maine and it helped both Calais & St. Stephen Businesses tremendously.

Board review would not only unnecessarily delay the hiring of hundreds of workers who, in this tough economic climate, sorely need them, but it sends the message that Maine is a difficult place to do business. Clearly the environmental impact is something we care deeply about but its importance and the review process can and should be thoughtfully, carefully, and more efficiently done by the Department rather than the

Board. The CMP Maine Power Reliability Project is a larger scale project that is being handled just fine by the Department, and I see no reason to complicate and delay the Calais LNG's applications unnecessarily.

Commissioner Littell, I urge you to do what is right for the environment, the residents/taxpayers, and job-seekers of Calais and St. Stephen and keep the processing of the Calais LNG applications under the capable, watchful eyes of the Maine DEP.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "J. Seiferd". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

John Seiferd

Donna Seiferd  
King Street  
St. Stephen, NB Canada  
E3L 2C2

February 11, 2010

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Maine Department of Environmental Protection  
17 State House Station  
Augusta, Maine 04333-0017

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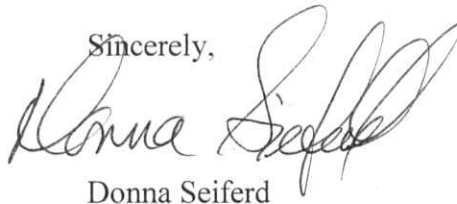
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I have seriously thought about selling my business and have even put it on the market a time or two, but as you can imagine no one wants to buy a business that is not making a profit. We had construction here a year ago when they were building the third bridge between St. Stephen and Calais Maine and it helped both Calais & St. Stephen Businesses tremendously.

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Donna Seiferd". The signature is fluid and stylized, with the first name "Donna" being more legible than the last name "Seiferd".

Donna Seiferd

February 11, 2010

**David P. Littell, Commissioner**

Maine Department of Environmental Protection  
17 State House Station  
Augusta, Maine 04333-0017

Re: Calais LNG

Dear Commissioner:

I am writing to request an expedited review of the Calais LNG project. This exciting project has consistently received broad and overwhelming support from people in Calais and throughout Washington County. The reason for this support is clear. Our economic well-being is in peril. We are a community on the verge of extinction.

I grew up in Calais and returned here after college to take over our family business. Unless things change dramatically, my own children will not have the opportunity to make that choice. Without a significant change in our local economy, our children will be forced to move away in search of meaningful jobs.

My family owns and operates the International Motel in downtown Calais. Our livelihood relies upon tourists and others who visit this area for its scenic beauty and its unique environmental attributes. We would not support any project that posed an adverse risk to this unique landscape or the region's ecosystem. But frankly, the most endangered species around here is the human species. Financial hardships and thoughts about an uncertain future put an emotional strain on hardworking families in this area.



I am confident that the Maine DEP can complete a comprehensive review of the project, and I am very concerned that sending this review through the added layer of the Board of Environmental Protection will only further delay the much-needed jobs and economic opportunities this project will bring to Washington County.

Board review would not only delay the project's benefits but it would also send a message that Maine is a difficult place to do business. Please help us make this project a reality for our community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Ken Thomas".

Ken Thomas

35 Downes Street

Calais, Maine 04619

# *Bernardini's*

*257 Main St.  
Calais, Maine 04619  
Tel 207-454-2237  
Fax 207-454-7330*

February 12, 2010

Commissioner Littell  
Maine DEP  
17 State House Station  
Augusta, Maine 04333-0017

Dear Commissioner Littell,

I have been in the restaurant business for 20 years and have not seen business as depressed as it now is in that 20 years.

I see the proposed LNG projects as a big boost to the area economy and am in favor of LNG for the Calais area. If a plant is built in Calais it will provide lasting jobs unlike those built on stimulus money (smoke and mirrors). The importance of these jobs cannot be understated and the process to allow LNG to continue on its road to construction must be expedited.

I am asking you to allow the DEP to review the project in order to move this worthwhile project along in a timely manner.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Marilyn Bernardini".

Marilyn Bernardini  
Owner

*Donald T. Burgess  
846 Main Street, Apt. 11  
Calais, ME 04619*

February 12, 2010

David P. Littell, Commissioner  
Maine Dept. of Environmental Protection  
17 State House Station  
Augusta, ME 04333-0017

Re: Calais LNG Project

Dear Commissioner Littell:

As an interested and concerned resident of the area, I write to urge you to consider keeping the Calais LNG application for review by the Dept. of Environmental Protection rather than having the Board of Environmental Protection review it. I'm strongly in favor of the well thought out terminal and pipeline proposal. Board review could potentially further delay the application, which would be detrimental to the prospects of urgently needed new jobs in our area.

Board review would not only unnecessarily delay the hiring of hundreds of workers who, in these tough economic times are desperately needed, but it sends the message that Maine is a difficult place to do business. Clearly the environmental impact is something we care deeply about but its importance and the review process can and should be thoughtfully, carefully and more efficiently done by the Department rather than the Board. The CMP Maine Power Reliability Project is a larger scale project that is being handled just fine by the Department and I see no reason to complicate and delay the Calais LNG's applications unnecessarily.

Commissioner Littell, I urge you to do what is right for the environment, the residents/taxpayers and job-seekers of Calais and the surrounding area and PLEASE keep the processing of the Calais LPG applications under the capable, watchful eyes of the Maine DEP.

Sincerely,



Donald T. Burgess

*Mary-Jo Burgess*  
846 Main Street, Apt. 11  
Calais, ME 04619

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Maine Dept. of Environmental Protection  
17 State House Station  
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Commissioner Littell, I urge you to do what is right for the environment, the residents/taxpayers and job-seekers of Calais and the surrounding area and PLEASE keep the processing of the Calais LPG applications under the capable, watchful eyes of the Maine DEP.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mary-Jo Burgess". The signature is fluid and stylized, with the first and last names being more prominent than the middle name "Jo".

Mary-Jo Burgess

February 12, 2010

David P. Littell, Commissioner  
Maine Dept. of Environmental Protection  
17 State House Station  
Augusta, ME 04333-0017

Re: Calais LNG Project

Dear Commissioner Littell:

As a life time resident of Calais, I am writing to urge you to consider keeping the Calais LNG application for review by the Dept. of Environmental Protection rather than having the Board of Environmental Protection review it. I feel that the proposals for the terminal and pipeline are very well thought out.

Board review has the potential to delay the application for a considerable period of time, which would be detrimental to the prospects of desperately needed new jobs in our area. This type of economic development would provide our city and county with not only short term gain, through the construction phase, but also long term gain from the permanent jobs that will be created. The recent news detailing the dollar amounts of the state budget cuts affecting our local schools and hospital reimbursement makes the need for a broader tax base in this area even that much more urgent.

I do not want to down play the need for review of the environmental impact of this project, I grew up on the St. Croix River and care deeply about it. The review process can and should be carefully and more efficiently done by the Department rather than the Board. The CMP Maine Power Reliability Project is a larger scale project that is being handled without any problems by the Department, considering this, I see no reason to complicate and delay the Calais LNG's applications unnecessarily by sending it to the Board.

I strongly encourage you to keep this proposal within the capable hands of the Maine DEP.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mary Barnett".

Mary Barnett  
334 North St.  
Calais ME 04619

C. Louis Bernardini  
49 Calais Avenue  
Calais, Maine 04619

February 12, 2010

Commissioner Littell  
Maine DEP  
17 State House Station  
Augusta, Maine 04333-0017

Dear Commissioner Littell:

I am writing to you to express my support for the Calais LNG project and to ask you to do everything possible in order to expedite the review of this project.

My reasons for this request can be summed up by three key factors: our desperate need for jobs in the Calais area, the need to diversify Maine's energy resources and the opportunity to diversify the tax base in Calais.

I have served on the Calais City Council, and I own several businesses in the downtown area. I also have a commercial lobster license and fish in the area where the LNG project will be located, and I have no problem with the need to relocate during transit deliveries.

You don't need to live here to understand how desperately this area needs economic opportunities. In fact, all you need to do is visit our city and stroll along Main Street to get a very good sense of why people in this area are so vocal in their support of a project that will create good-paying jobs and spin-off opportunities.

Last year, when layoffs were announced at the Domtar mill in the neighboring town of Baileyville, a shudder rippled through this community as the realization set in that we are overly dependent on one industry for our survival.

Our northern neighbors in New Brunswick have done an enviable job of creating an energy hub that supports their economy with no adverse impacts on their tourism industry. Why should Maine be subject to a foreign government's control of our energy resources? Shouldn't we be working to develop our own energy hub that would include our own supply of natural gas as the bridge necessary to a future with more emphasis on renewable fuels.

Having this application go through the Board of Environmental Protection for additional review will only further delay the approval of this much needed project.

Given the comprehensive review of this project that is being conducted by a number of federal, state and local agencies, I think the Maine DEP is in a good position to evaluate the merits of this project.

Thank you for your time and consideration of my thoughts.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "C. Louis Bernardini". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the word "Sincerely,".

Cc: Gov. John Baldacci

February 12, 2010

David P. Littell, Commissioner  
Maine Department of Environmental Protection  
17 State House Station  
Augusta, Maine 04333-0017

Dear Commissioner Littell:

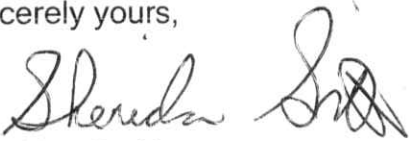
Almost a year ago, I testified at the Maine DEP's public information meeting about the Calais LNG project, and my support for that project is even stronger today than it was then.

I live in Baileyville. I am a local businessman who grew up in Calais, and with the exception of my years at the University of Maine, I have lived here all of my life. I am also a past president of the St. Croix Valley Chamber of Commerce, but more importantly, I am a husband and father of two young children.

I consider myself blessed to have been able to obtain an education and come back to this area to make a living. I am, however, an exception to the rule. I have seen my siblings, classmates and friends forced to leave here due to lack of job opportunities in the area. That is why I strongly support Calais LNG.

Calais LNG will provide good paying jobs and clean energy to an area that needs it and wants it. It will allow families to stay in the area or to move here, thus helping keep our diversity. As you know, we live in a fairly remote area and making a living here is difficult. One of the things we had going for us is the proximity to the ocean and the St. Croix River. This project is an opportunity to take advantage of our location and provide some hope for the people in this area. I hope this project will proceed without the undue delay of a review by the Board of Environmental Protection.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Sheridan Smith".

Sheridan Smith

Sheridan Smith  
337 Houtlon Rd.  
Baileyville, ME 04694-3625



74 Germain Street  
Calais, Maine 04619

February 16, 2010

David P. Littell, Commissioner  
Maine Department of Environmental Protection  
17 State House Station  
Augusta, Maine 04333-0017

Re: Calais LNG Project

Dear Commissioner Littell:

As a resident of Calais, Maine, I am writing to urge you to consider having the Department of Environmental Protection review the Calais LNG application rather than the Board of Environmental Protection. Board review could potentially delay the application, which would adversely affect the prospect of creating badly needed jobs for Washington County.

The environmental impact is something we care about, but I feel the Department is more capable of considering and reviewing the project in a more timely and efficient way. Unemployment is approaching a level not seen since the nineteen thirties. The people of Washington County are resourceful and industrious. Given the chance they will create an efficient and environmentally friendly Liquefied Natural Gas terminal and pipeline that could also be a boon for our economy. The potential is enormous and we are ready.

Thank you and Maine Department of Environmental Protection for doing such a good job in safeguarding our environment and I urge you to keep the processing of the application for this important project under the supervision of your capable staff.

Sincerely,



Jim Porter  
Calais Resident

Tari Barnard  
152 South Street  
Calais, ME 04619

February 17, 2010

David P. Littell, Commissioner  
ME Department of Environmental Protection  
17 State House Station  
Augusta, ME 04333-0017

Dear Commissioner Littell:

I am urging you to keep the Calais LNG project application under review by your department rather than the Board of Environmental Protection. I feel that the process would go more smoothly and quickly under the Department's review.

The proposed Calais LNG project is very important to this area. Our local economy is in desperate need of a boost. We cannot keep turning away prospects from this area. If we continue to turn away prospects for growth in the area because they do not make everyone happy then we are destined to see our children move to more prosperous areas.

We pay far too high a price for heating oil in this area and a pipeline would give us access to an alternate fuel. The information I have received at the public meeting is that this is a safe plan.

Please do not let this project go to another area. We are way off the beaten path so to speak and any proposed development should be encouraged. Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Tari Barnard".

Tari Barnard

Nancy Walker  
26 Cleveland Street  
Calais, ME 04619

February 17, 2010

David P. Littell  
Maine Department of Environmental Protection  
17 State House Station  
Augusta, ME 04333-0017

Dear Commissioner Littell:

I am writing to ask you to keep the Calais LNG application under review by the Department. Board review would mean a delay in the process and we cannot afford to let another economic development leave this area. Every time a project is proposed for our area the delays take years and end up going somewhere else.

This project will provide jobs for the local economy. We pay far too high a price for heating oil in this area and a pipeline would give us access to an alternate fuel.

The information I have gotten from attending the public meetings is encouraging and the plans for the pipeline and terminal pose a minimal safety threat. If we continue to delay prospects for growth in the area then we are destined to see our children move to more prosperous areas.

I think that this is an important issue and must be addressed within a reasonable time frame. Postponing a decision on this project will end up the same as all the other projects proposed for this area...gone somewhere else. Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Nancy Walker".

Nancy Walker

S A U N D E R S  
53 Dwelleys Lake Road  
Alexander ME 04694

February 17, 2010

David P. Littell, Commissioner  
Maine Department of Environmental Protection  
17 State House Station  
Augusta ME 04333-0017

Re: **Calais LNG Project**

Dear Commissioner Littell:

For the past year I have closely followed the progress of the **Calais LNG project**. This letter is being sent to urge you to recommend the Department conduct the review process in lieu of Board review. Please do not delay this important project to our area unnecessarily.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Samuel A. Saunders".

Samuel A Saunders

53 Dwelleys Lake Rd  
Alexander ME 04694

February 17, 2010

David P. Littell, Commissioner  
Maine Department of Environmental Protection  
17 State House Station  
Augusta ME 04333-0017

Re: Calais LNG Project

Dear Commissioner Littell:

The purpose of my letter is in support of the Calais LNG application without the delay of Board review. Washington County should not be a difficult place to do business. Unemployment in our county is at 12/5%, among the highest in the State. This project will positively benefit county residents in multiple ways.

Sincerely,

  
Kristi K Saunders

**Bill Condon**  
9 Chandler St.  
Calais, ME 04619  
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February 17, 2010

Mr. David P. Littell, Commissioner  
Maine Department of Environmental Protection  
17 State House Station  
Augusta, Maine 04333-0017

Re: Calais LNG Project

Dear Commissioner Littell:

Although you have already received a letter signed by all the members of the Calais City Council, I wanted to send you my own letter to further emphasize the need and support for the Calais LNG project in our community. I certainly hope that you will favor our request for an expedited review of this project that will not require additional review from the Maine Board of Environmental Protection.

I have been watching this project develop with great interest and enthusiasm. In March 2009, I personally testified at the DEP's public information meeting, which was held at Washington County Community College. My opinions of this project have not changed, and I say with confidence that many of us in this community are hoping this project will become a reality for our area sooner rather than later.

Millions of dollars have been spent on the many scientists and engineers who have been studying this area's environment and its suitability for an LNG project. We have numerous informational meetings for the public, and I don't see any good reason to further delay this much-needed project by having it reviewed also by the BEP.

As a city councilor, I have a responsibility to keep our tax rates reasonable and to provide essential services for the well-being of our community. Without some significant private investment, these goals will not be achieved. Our community needs the support and encouragement of your office, and I hope you will agree that we can move this project forward without sacrificing the integrity of its review process.

Sincerely,



Carleton Barnes  
P.O. Box 1273  
Calais Maine, 04619

February 19, 2010

David P. Littell, Commissioner  
Maine Department of Environmental Protection  
17 State House Station  
Augusta, ME 04333-0017

Re: Calais LNG Project

Dear Commissioner Littell:

As an interested and concerned resident of the Calais area, I urge you to consider keeping the Calais LNG application for review by the Department of Environmental Protection rather than having the Board of Environmental Protection review it. I have attended several meetings for over a year and I am very much in favor of the Calais LNG project.

Board review would not only unnecessarily delay the hiring of hundreds of workers who, in this tough economic climate, sorely need the jobs, but it sends the message that Maine is a difficult place to do business. The environmental impact of this project is very important and the review process can and should be carefully and more efficiently done by the Department rather than the Board.

I feel that DEP is more than capable and very well qualified to process and review the Calais LNG applications, therefore I re-iterate my request to have you as Commissioner of DEP, accept jurisdiction over this process.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Carleton Barnes".

Carleton Barnes

February 19, 2010

Mr. David P. Littell, Commissioner  
Maine Department of Environmental Protection  
17 State House Station  
Augusta, Maine 04333-0017

Dear Commissioner Littell:

I live in Calais and would like to see the Calais LNG project approved as quickly as possible. I am a professional musician and I spend a lot of time traveling throughout Washington County playing music and entertaining people, especially our seniors who are living in nursing homes. As much as people enjoy my music, they need much more to sustain themselves. Whether I'm performing in Machias, Eastport or Calais, one does not have to look far to see the prominent face of poverty in this region.

The Calais LNG project could breathe new life into our economy and provide some much needed hope for this area. A lot of research has been done about this facility, and I hope it can be built quickly and efficiently. In my opinion, it does not need the BEP to review it and hold even more public hearings. Thank you for your time and attention. This is an important issue for those of us who live in Calais, and we appreciate your efforts and consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Sam L. Coltart", with a stylized, flowing script.

Sam Coltart  
47 Germain Street  
Calais, Maine 04619



**David Johnson  
Johnson's Hardware  
North Street  
Calais, Maine 04619**

**February 19, 2010**

**Commissioner David Littell  
Maine Department of Environmental Protection  
17 State House Station  
Augusta, ME 04333**

**Dear Commissioner Littell,**

**I write to you today as a concerned citizen and as someone who wants to see positive things happen in my hometown.**

**I am the owner and operator of a second-generation family business in Calais, Maine. Our hardware store was started by my late father, and my mother, my brother and my wife all work here and serve our community. Times are very hard for people who call the Calais area their home. Our unemployment rates are much higher here than in other parts of Maine. Last year, the nearby Domtar mill was shut down for a while and we are always thinking that the other shoe is about to drop.**

**Over the last two years, I have heard a lot about the LNG project being proposed in our community. I know that a lot of people in this area, including myself are very excited about the potential for the new, good-paying jobs this project will bring to our local economy. We needed this project yesterday, and I was troubled to learn that it could be delayed even longer by having it go before the Maine Board of Environmental Protection.**

**I believe the Maine DEP has all the tools and resources necessary to complete a comprehensive and careful review of this project. Many of us who live here have attended the informative meetings about this project and we have been impressed by the numerous environmental studies that have been done. For the sake of our community and its citizens, I urge you to consider an expedited review of this project.**

**Thank you,**

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "David Johnson". The ink is dark and the signature is written in a fluid, connected style.

Feb 20, 2010

David P. Little, Commissioner  
Maine Department of Environmental Protection  
17 State House Station  
Augusta, ME 04333-0017

Carrie Morrell  
38 Washington St.  
Baileysville, ME 04694

Dear Commissioner Little,

I am writing in regard of the LNG coming to Calais,  
ME.

I have lived in Baileysville almost my whole life  
and my fiancé and I really have no intentions  
on leaving the area, but the way things are  
going in our area right now it makes that  
wish hard.

I feel that the sooner the LNG could get here  
the better. We need the jobs and the  
support from bigger businesses.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Carrie Morrell

[Name]

Larry Drake

[Address]

19 Juniper Street  
Bangor, Maine 04401

[Date]

Feb. 25, 2010

David P. Littell, Commissioner  
Maine Department of Environmental Protection  
17 State House Station  
Augusta, Maine 04333-0017

Re: Calais LNG Project

Dear Commissioner Littell:

As an interested and concerned resident of the area, I write to urge you to consider keeping the Calais LNG application for review by the Department of Environmental Protection rather than having the Board of Environmental Protection review it. My neighbors and I have been attending the informational meetings here for over a year and are strongly in favor of the well-thought-out terminal and pipeline proposal. Board review could potentially further delay the application, which would be detrimental to the prospects of urgently needed new jobs here.

Board review would not only unnecessarily delay the hiring of hundreds of workers who, in this tough economic climate, sorely need them, but it sends the message that Maine is a difficult place to do business. Clearly the environmental impact is something we care deeply about but its importance and the review process can and should be thoughtfully, carefully, and more efficiently done by the Department rather than the Board. The CMP Maine Power Reliability Project is a larger scale project that is being handled just fine by the Department, and I see no reason to complicate and delay the Calais LNG's applications unnecessarily.

Commissioner Littell, I urge you to do what is right for the environment, the residents/taxpayers, and job-seekers of Calais and the surrounding area and keep the processing of the Calais LNG applications under the capable, watchful eyes of the Maine DEP.

Sincerely,

[Resident's Name]

Larry Drake

Bangor, Maine

→ Please do what  
you can to make  
Calais LNG a  
reality. Thanks  
for your consideration  
of this taxpayers concerns.

Sincerely,  
Larry Drake



February 24, 2010

David P. Littell, Commissioner  
Maine Department of Environmental Protection  
17 State House Station  
Augusta, Maine 04333-0017

Re: Calais LNG Project

Dear Commissioner Littell:

On behalf of the Maine Industrial Energy Consumer Group (IECG), I am writing to encourage the Department of Environmental Protection to retain jurisdiction over, and expeditiously process, the applications of the Calais LNG project, which is proposing to build an LNG facility in Eastern Washington County.

The IECG represents Maine industrial energy consumers before regulatory, legislative and congressional bodies regarding energy issues. We are keenly aware that many Maine industries, including the pulp and paper industry, rely on natural gas to meet their energy needs and most rely on electricity, the price of which is highly dependent on natural gas prices. However, the cost of natural gas in the State is among the highest in the nation, thus placing an enormous burden upon these industrial consumers of natural gas and electricity. The IECG supports LNG in Maine and Calais LNG represents an opportunity to dramatically lower the cost of natural gas and electricity in Maine and ease the burden currently shouldered by all energy consumers statewide.

The IECG believes that the Department, under your leadership, is best suited to review these applications, due to its depth of technical knowledge of the energy storage needs to support renewable energy development capacity of the State. Moreover, the Department has had previous experience in permitting gas facilities, which lends it valuable institutional knowledge when dealing with Calais LNG's applications. Based upon these factors, the IECG is confident project review by the Department would proceed smoothly and quickly, avoiding the potential for costly delay that might otherwise arise should the Board of Environmental Protection retain jurisdiction over Calais LNG's applications.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Glenn S. Poole".

Glenn Poole  
President, IECG